

control the quality of service of end-to-end communication between the at least two user terminals on the basis of the received information.

**24.** The apparatus of claim **15**, wherein the processor is applicable to a base station and is further configured to: redistribute radio resources of the mobile communication on the basis of the received information.

**25.** The apparatus of claim **15**, wherein the processor is applicable to a base station and is further configured to:

decide on the basis of the received information whether to apply conventional radio communication via the base station or the direct communication between the at least two terminals or not.

**26.** The apparatus of claim **15**, wherein the processor is applicable to a base station and further configured to:

control the quality of service of the communication between the at least two terminals by more than one base station; and

communicate with at least one other base station in order to coordinate the quality of service of the end-to-end communication between the at least two terminals.

**27.** The apparatus of claim **15**, wherein the processor is applicable to a base station and further configured to:

manage a virtual radio bearer database corresponding to the radio bearers applied in the direct communication between the at least two user terminals; and

update the virtual radio bearer database on the basis of the received information.

**28.** The apparatus of claim **15**, wherein the processor is applicable to a base station and further configured to:

control re-transmissions of the direct communication link between the at least two user terminals such that the re-transmissions are performed through the conventional radio communication link via the base station.

**29.** (canceled)

**30.** A computer program product embodied on a distribution medium readable by a computer and comprising program instructions which, when loaded into an apparatus, execute a method, comprising:

applying uplink signaling in mobile communication, wherein the signaling comprises information determined by a device as related to the traffic status of a direct communication link between at least two user terminals being the terminating points of the communication; and

transmitting the information in the uplink to a base station from at least one user terminal involved in the direct communication link thereby enabling the base station to control the quality of service of an end-to-end communication between the at least two user terminals based on the received information.

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